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| **Aaron Copland** | American composer; known for ballet and orchestra music. |
| **Bessie Smith** | African-American jazz singer and blues queen. |
| **Clarence Darrow** | Defense attorney to John Scopes in the famous “Scopes-Monkey Trial”. |
| **Duke Ellington** | Jazz musician; led the swing movement and was a true artist with the piano. |
| **F. Scott Fitzgerald** | American author who wrote *The Great Gatsby* which captured the luxurious side of 1920s life. |
| **George Gershwin** | American composer known for his Broadway style tunes. |
| **Georgia O’Keefe** | Painter of abstract art – known for her larger than life pictures of flowers. |
| **Jacob Lawrence** | Painter of the Great Migration series showing African-Americans moving out of the South. |
| **John Scopes** | High school science teacher who taught Darwin’s theory of evolution. |
| **Langston Hughes** | African-American poet who wrote about racial pride. |
| **Louis Armstrong** | Famous African-American jazz trumpet player. |
| **Marcus Garvey** | Jamaican immigrant who stated African Americans should move back to Africa. |
| **Sacco & Vanzetti** | Italian immigrants who were found guilty of a crime without evidence due to discrimination. |
| **Wright Brothers** | Brothers who invented the airplane |
| **Calvin Coolidge** | Became president when Harding died;  President who restored the public’s trust in government. Supported of business. |

**These individuals are the most important people according to our curriculum – know and love them well! They ARE testable!**